Tri-County Board of Recovery & Mental Health Services
Board of Directors' Meeting
Minutes

September 16, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Rod Austin
Chad Beanblossom
Velina Bogart
Dennis Butts
Fredric Francis
Joe Gebhart
Emily Hoisington
Terrie Hottle
Jim McNerney
Cassie Pohl
Jason Wagner

BOARD STAFF PRESENT
Tony Baker
Terri Becker
Brad Reed
Kim Train

GUESTS PRESENT
Megan Gibson, Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio
Vickie Martin, Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio
Doug Metcalfe, SafeHaven

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED
Amy Esser

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

The Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services met at the Board Administration & Training Center in Troy Tuesday, September 16, 2025. Board Chair Dennis Butts called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM.

Board staff member Brad Reed took roll call. Eleven Board members attended, with one Board member excused. Four Board staff and three guests were present.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY

Joe Gebhart agreed to be appointed secretary to attest to the Board meeting minutes for the current meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board reviewed the agenda. Velina Bogart moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Fredric Francis. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June Board of Directors meeting. Jason Wagner moved to approve the minutes of the June 17 2025 Board of Directors' meeting as presented, seconded by Jim McNerney. Motion carried on voice vote.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

A number of Board policies were presented for review. The draft policies and a summary of proposed changes were distributed in the Board packet. Joe Gebhart moved to approve Board policies

305, 306, 308, 401, 402, 405, 406, and 501 as presented, seconded by Fredric Francis. Motion carried on voice vote.

Terri Becker said she is overdue for performance reviews. She is working on staff reviews now. For the Executive Director review she proposes an online survey format, the results of which will go to Board Chair Dennis Butts to review, with the possibility of an Executive Session at the next meeting. She also proposed including Board members whose terms ended in the past year, if the Board is OK with that. There was no objection to including recent-past Board members. Brad Reed will send a link to the survey.

OLD BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Fredric Francis

Minutes of the June Finance Committee meeting were included in the Board packet for review. Fredric Francis moved to approve the minutes of the June 17 2025 Finance Committee meeting as presented, seconded by Velina Bogart. Motion carried on voice vote.

Financial Statements for June, July and August 2025 were included in the Board packet for review. Statements are cumulative and through June are 100% of the way through Fiscal Year 2025 on a cash basis. FY25 revenue is at 98.5% and expenditures are at 78.3%. Statements through August are 17% through FY2026 on a cash basis, with receipts at 26.8% and expenditures at 15.4%. Fredric Francis moved to accept the June through August 2025 Financial Statements as presented, seconded by Chad Beanblossom. Motion carried by voice vote.

A List of Transactions for April through June 2025 was included in the Board packet for review. Fredric Francis moved to approve the List of Transactions for April through June as presented, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Motion carried by voice vote.

Fredric Francis reported that he CY2024 State Audit is at the State Auditor for review. The preliminary results appear to have favorable results. We will release the audit to the public once the Auditor has approved the findings from the contracted firm.

Terri Becker said Community Housing is addressing some deferred maintenance on a number of properties, including the complete replacement of windows at the recovery home in Sidney, some plumbing issues, some trees needing taken down, and painting.

Terri Becker and Tony Baker met with the Joint Budget Commission August 28 to review the budget packet that was submitted and to discuss programs, initiatives and budget issues. The Commission consists of the Auditor, Prosecutor and Treasurer from each of the counties that we serve. The meeting and discussion went well and the Commission approved our millage for the 2026 tax year. The Board must now approve and members present will need to sign the resolution. Fredric Francis moved to approve the tax rates as determined by the Joint Budget Commission for the 2026 tax year, seconded by Velina Bogart. Motion carried by voice vote. Two copies of the resolution were circulated for signatures of members present.

Glenwood Behavioral Health exceeded their FY25 budget by $11,700 due to increased jail referrals. Their budget needs to be increased to $74,700. As discussed, Community Housing is experiencing some increased maintenance needs with some of our properties. We will need to increase their budget by $100,000 to be able to make the necessary improvements. Fredric Francis moved to increase the FY25 Glenwood Behavioral Health Allocation by $11,700 to $74,700 and to increase the

FY26 Community Housing allocation by $100,000 to a total contract of $1,150,000, seconded by Jim McNerney. Motion carried by voice vote.

Terri Becker said that due to the increasing competitive nature of the workforce, we have had discussions with our agencies that are struggling to retain qualified employees that provide valuable services to our clients. We would like to add $30,000 to our budget for the purposes of engaging employees. The proposed utilization and allocation of the funding was included in the Board packet. Contracted agencies would be allocated funds based on FTE working in Darke, Miami and Shelby Counties, and will have to have approval from the Tri-County Board Executive Director. Fredric Francis moved to add $30,000 to the Board Budget for the purposes of employee engagement activities as presented, seconded by Joe Gebhart. Motion carried on voice vote.

Fredric Francis said the Board needs to execute a lease agreement with Recovery & Wellness Centers (Darke County Recovery) for the Bradford House located at 7770 Horatio-Harris Creek Road, Bradford, OH 45308 beginning July 1, 2025 in the amount of $1,000 per month. Payments will begin January 1, 2026. Fredric Francis moved to approve the lease agreement with Darke County Recovery, dba. Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio, to operate the Bradford House, and to permit the Executive Director to execute the lease agreement, seconded by Emily Hoisington. Motion carried on voice vote.

Fredric Francis reported that Ohio Hospital for Psychiatry has seen an increased volume of clients from our area. We would like to enter into a contract with them to provide services to our clients in the amount of $45,000. We would like to enter into an MOU with the Upper Valley Medical Center to provide a second opinion for cases that The Forensic Psychiatry Center can't cover in the amount of $250 per case which is the same rate as the Forensic Psychiatry Center. We would like to enter into an MOU with Cantata, which is formerly known as Gosh. They operate the software used to process agency claims for reimbursement. We previously purchased blocks of time as needed from GOSH, but the new owner has requested a more formal agreement with monthly payments. This agreement is for five years and payments for the first year will be $621.92 per month. Fredric Francis moved to approve the Contract with Ohio Hospital for Psychiatry for $45,000, the MOU with UVMC for $250 per case, and the Cantata Master Services Agreement as presented, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Motion carried on voice vote.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 18 2025 at 11:30 AM.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – Cassie Pohl

Minutes of the September 9 2025 Planning Committee were distributed in the Board Packet for review.

Cassie Pohl reported that OhioMHAS 988 Administrator and Tri-County Board Associate Director Brad Reed presented an overview of Ohio's 988 system. Terri Becker reported that all three county jails received Opioid Remediation Grants to increase substance use treatment in the jails. The program is being implemented by Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio. The Committee also heard reports about an Anti-Stigma Campaign funded by Miami County Opioid Settlement funds, a Bi-Partisan Safer Communities grant to work with local Health Departments to pilot a Voluntary Registration Emergency Notification System, an update on Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS) and Intensive Home-Based Treatment (IHBT).

Cassie Pohl moved to approve the September 9, 2025 Planning Committee minutes as presented, seconded by Velina Bogart. Motion carried on voice vote.

The next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 4 at Noon at the Tri-County Board Administration & Training Center.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE – Chad Beanblossom

Minutes of the August 5 2025 Community Relations Committee were distributed in the Board Packet for review.

Chad Beanblossom reported that Rod Austin was elected to Chair the Committee for FY26.

Chad reported that the Committee heard reports on a busy summer events schedule, progress on the Disaster Preparedness grant, and planning for the Annual Meeting and Art of Recovery Reception Tuesday October 21. Terri Becker reported to the Committee that the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services would be known as the Department of Behavioral Health, with the changeover occurring in the next few months.

Longtime Community Relations Committee and Board member Jerry Herbe was recognized for his years of service to the Board.

Chad Beanblossom moved to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2025 Community Relations Committee meeting as presented, seconded by Joe Gebhart. Motion carried on voice vote.

The next meeting of the Community Relations Committee is scheduled for Tuesday October 7 at Noon at the Tri-County Board Administration & Training Center.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Terri Becker

Terri Becker said Annual Board Training is scheduled for Tuesday October 21 at Noon, with the tentative topic "Mental Health in a Post-Pandemic World." She will send official notification when the topic is approved by the State. Because it is not a business meeting, we can provide a remote option.

She reminded the Board that next year we are up for a levy. She said it is a tenuous time for levies, as the option for Replacement levies goes away next year. There is also an anti-property tax sentiment right now, with the probability that there will be a Constitutional Amendment proposal to eliminate all property tax on the same ballot that we are on. We will need to focus on educating the public on what benefits the local mental health levy provides.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was brought before the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Fredric Francis moved to adjourn, seconded by Joe Gebhart. Motion carried on voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 12:59PM.

Annual Board Training is scheduled for Tuesday October 21 2025 at Noon.
Annual Meeting and Art of Recovery Reception is Tuesday October 21 2025 from 4-6PM.
The next Full Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 18 2025 at Noon.

Dennis Butts, Chairperson

Joe Gebhart

Brad Reed